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I have been trying unsuccessfully to reach you by telephone for the last two weeks or so to discuss the claims presented by the above-named individuals against [REDACTED] 25X1A5a1

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[REDACTED] for damage to household goods resulting from faulty packing. The packing concerned was done by [REDACTED] in 1950 and 1951 under contract no. [REDACTED] dated October 26, 1950 between this Agency and [REDACTED] Claims were submitted under date of August 21, 1951 by [REDACTED] and September 6, 1951 by [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] 25X1A5a1 25X1A9a 25X1A9a

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Pro forma replies were received from you each dated October 4, 1951 alleging that the packing had been done in accordance with the contract specifications. Your letters suggested that claims be presented by the carrier. This was done, and under date December 12, 1951 the carrier, [REDACTED], denied the claims on the grounds that the damage was obviously the result of faulty packing and that the crates had arrived in good condition as far as external appearance is concerned. 25X1A5a1

We wrote to [REDACTED] on November 12, 1953 requesting settlement of these and other claims but have received no satisfaction with respect to [REDACTED] 25X1A9a

Reports of the damage involved were sent to [REDACTED] in 1951 and presumably they were forwarded to you. In case they are not presently available to you, I am enclosing photostatic copies. 25X1A5a1

It is clear from these reports that the household goods involved could not have been packed in accordance with the specification which forms a part of contract XG-448. I am therefore unable to understand your statement that they were. I would appreciate it if you would review these cases at your earliest convenience. I would be happy to discuss them with you if you feel such discussion is necessary or desirable. Naturally, we would prefer not to take formal action to secure satisfaction of these claims.

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Very truly yours,

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